

KILDARE COUNTY COUNCIL



Road Traffic Act 1994

Report on Section 38

**Proposed Junction Improvement Scheme at
Blackwood- Dagwelds between the R409 and the R403.**

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Under Section 38 of the Road Traffic Act 1994 Local Authorities are obliged to carry out a public consultation process and consult with An Garda Síochána with regard to implementing and enforcing traffic calming measures.

The Blackwood (Dagwelds) Junction scheme proposes targeted alterations to the R409/R403 junction to improve layout and safety, including carriageway narrowing to reduce vehicle speeds, enhanced road markings and signage, closure of an unsafe gated field access, and undergrounding of existing Eir services. The scheme was advertised in the Leinster Leader on 3rd February 2026 and the Liffey Champion on 7th February 2026 and placed on public display at Áras Chill Dara and on the Council's website, with submissions invited from 3rd February to 9th March 2026.

This proposal, identified as a Location of Interest (LOI) following a review of the existing junction layout, is to be progressed through Kildare County Council's Safety Improvement works for Regional and Local Roads Programme, enabling the procurement of contractors and delivery of the scheme.

The proposed plans were forwarded to An Garda Síochána for comment. Confirmation was received on behalf of the Superintendent of Kildare South Community Engagement and they reported no objections to the proposed junction improvement scheme at this location.

No submissions were received from the members of the public.

Recommendation that the proposal goes forward for noting at the Clane Maynooth Municipal District meeting on 10th April 2026.



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